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Starting in August 2018, TKE will return to Northwest as a part of Greek Life and go through formal recruitment. This return is a year earlier than originally planned.

## TKE returns

*Fraternity comes back early after being banned*

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Tau Kappa Epsilon Delta Nu Chapter (TKE) will be a recognized campus organization starting August 2018.

Northwest revoked TKE's institutional recognition Nov. 24, 2015, due to violations of Greek Life risk management policies.

The University originally stated in a news release that future students would be able to attempt to regain recognition no earlier than February 2019 but that date has since changed.

According to Vice President of Student Affairs Matthew Baker, TKE appealed the decision and appealed the sanction.

An appeal board then reviewed the case for four to six weeks and

decided to uphold the revocation of that charter, but changed the sanction of when TKE could come back, allowing them to return a year early.

To be a fully recognized fraternity, TKE has to go through a colonization process. That colonization process will be starting next week.

"We told (TKE) they could be a fully chartered organization in the fall," Baker said. "We waited until the IFC (Interfraternity Council) recruitment period had happened this fall for all the fraternities. They (TKE) can begin recruiting here in the next week or two. Coming up, they'll be able to start talking to members about joining TKE."

TKE Delta Nu has been on campus for over 60 years, with

more than 1,600 members today. TKE alumni have been working to improve the fraternity since it was revoked.

"There's a group of alumni who are committed to bringing the chapter back, better than ever, stronger than ever," Baker said. "They have been driving the train over the last two years to make sure the chapter comes back with a new culture, a new approach and a new feel to the chapter."

One of those alumnus is John Moore who graduated from Northwest in 1978. Moore will be the alumni advisor of the TKE chapter. His job is to recruit other advisors and help the new group of members get off to the right start.

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## Cellebrite system allows local law enforcement to download phone data

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The Nodaway County Sheriff's Office is now training fellow law enforcement agencies to use a computer system, which allows officers to download data from a cellphone.

The Cellebrite system allows law enforcement agencies to download any information from a phone, which can be beneficial to an ongoing criminal investigation.

While the system itself is not new, the sheriff's office is now splitting the use and cost of the system between all the Maryville agencies.

"The Cellebrite fee of \$3,400 will now be split by Maryville Public Safety, the prosecuting attorney and the Northwest Missouri State University Police Department," Randy Highland with the Nodaway County Sheriff's Office said.

University Police Chief Clarence Green stated the technology would allow people from every agency the knowledge and ability to use the system.

"What the new sheriff has set out was to have a partnership with our agency since we already use it," Green said. "That way we can all jointly use it, as well as have training in it, so then we can have a specialized person in our unit or a few specialized people in the county combining their resources to make the best of it."

According to Green, the system



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The Nodaway County Sheriff's Office is now training fellow law enforcement agencies to use a computer system, which allows officers to download data from a cellphone.

which involves a cell phone.

"This technology can be used for basically any crime you can think of from harassment to child pornography; the Cellebrite system will help out with all of that," Highland said.

Green believes the technology is very important today as we live in a technological driven world.

"A lot of crimes now a days are cyber based, so it is a technology

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# New downtown mural nurtures creativity

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A Northwest student is working to bring art and inspiration to the Maryville community through the creation of a new downtown mural painting.

The mural, entitled "Nurture and Grow" is located on the east wall of Northwest Audio Visual, East Third Street.

Senior Graphic Design major Emily Stark, got the inspiration for the mural after completing her internship in Overland Park, Kansas.

"The inspiration for the mural came from my internship with InterUrban ArtHouse over the summer," Stark said. "During the internship, I worked on several public art pieces. One of these pieces was a 16-foot mosaic mural that I assisted muralist Nicole Emanuel and mosaic artist Julie Forsyth on, the piece is now permanently on display at InterUrban."

The art piece is Starks senior exhibition and in order to make the art piece possible Stark teamed up with the Maryville city and Maryville Public Art Committee (MPAC). According to board chair member Jeff Zeller, MPAC is an organization meant to spread art and creativity throughout the city.

"The idea behind it (MPAC) is to get more art in the whole community. We've started downtown and we are kind of branching out as much as we can," Zeller said. "We want to beautify it (the community), fix up some places and have some interesting little things, so this is a good step down that road..."

Stark is hopeful her project will spark the spread of artwork throughout the city and is thank-



BROOKE BEASLEY | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior Graphic Design major Emily Stark is working to bring art and inspiration to the Maryville community through the creation of a new downtown mural painting called "Nurture and Grow".

ful of the city's excitement as she nears completion of her project.

"The city's support of the mural has been overwhelming; people have been excited and very receptive," Stark said. "I would love to see this town covered in lots of beautiful murals someday. I hope that my mural will inspire some other like-minded individuals to affect the same kind of change."

Zeller stated that the mural is nearing completion, but Stark has encountered issues due to weather.

"She is hoping in a couple weeks, weather permitting, (to be finished)," Zeller said. "The past few weeks with all the storms have really dampened her efforts. Any time it is nice out and she doesn't have class, she is out there working on it. It shouldn't take too much longer; it is pretty close (to being finished)."

Zeller hopes that the mural will grow and nurture the relationship between the community and Northwest as they see a Northwest

student add to and improve the community.

"One of the nice things about this is that it is a University student and the public can see that there are very talented people at the University because people in the city don't necessarily realize the talent that is at Northwest..." Zeller said. "This gives them the chance to see what some of the students are really capable of and it really helps to bolster the relationships between the community

and the University."

In the end, Stark is excited to spread her work and leave the community brighter and more positive than it was before she created the mural.

"I just fell in love with public art and I wanted to make something of my own," Stark said. "I wanted to leave behind something positive, something that is beautiful and hopeful and can be appreciated by many people of all ages for many years to come."

## UPD receives new training on how to handle biases

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Campus patrol officers received fair and impartial police training to focus on recognizing biases and counteracting those biases while in the field.

St. Joseph Police Chief Chris Connally at Northwest conducted the training Oct. 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The training consisted of a PowerPoint as well as hands-on training. Adam McNairy is one of the officers who attended the training.

"It was more of a refresher course," McNairy said. "Everyone has bias, but it's about not responding to that bias. Sometimes with recent events, law enforcement or even society forgets that policing is a service-based occupation. We are first here to help. You

can't let your biases impede your efforts to help."

Officer Kyle Hoyt also attended the training. According to Hoyt, this training was a good refresher course over things the police department frequently talks about.

"I took away more knowledge about myself and how I can grow as an officer and as a person, both of which reflect on my career," Hoyt said. "I took away more knowledge about who I am and some of my biases."

According to Hoyt, the training helped him to better understand those who may have negative opinions towards police officers.

"I myself had a negative experience with law enforcement," Hoyt said. "It just reinforces that everybody has perceptions or experiences that affects the way they act or the way they perceive things. Just understanding that goes a long way."

Connally lead the training by asking officers to raise their hands if they had ever been treated differently based on their skin color. He then asked officers if they had ever experienced discrimination for being in uniform.

"It works both ways as far as law enforcement's perception of the public and the public's perception of law enforcement," McNairy said. "Knowing that the public does have that perception,

we have to work against it with each interaction we have with a student. That's just something we have to keep in mind."

The training also touched on contact theory. According to McNairy, positive contact reduces both conscious and implicit bias.

"You apply (this training) in everything you do," McNairy said. "Be cognitive of the fact that you have biases and everyone else has biases and they can't help those. It's about not letting those biases control your thoughts or actions, being aware of those but then working to not act on them."

Hoyt thinks the community will benefit from the police department training to improve the service they provide.

"Everybody in our department has had this training now," Hoyt said. "We are definitely taking steps to serve our community better with as much training and knowledge as we can do within the means of our budget. We're taking the right steps to try and further our connection and our relationship with our community."

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# Conference center continues to grow as it nears completion

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With the construction of the Mozingo Conference Center nearing completion, the Maryville City Council has been busy approving many of the final large purchases related to the project.

The approval of a purchase order was announced at the Oct. 9 council meeting, the purchase includes two TruGolf simulators. Assistant City Manager Ryan Heiland said the simulators were purchased from Robertson Entertainment for a total of \$106,400.

According to City Manager Greg McDanel, these premium, commercial-grade golf simulators will allow users to hit a virtual golf ball into a projector screen on one of 63 golf courses from around the world.

Heiland said he finds the simulators to be a unique feature, especially in this area, and a very exciting amenity to the Conference Center. Not only will they help bring in business over the winter months, but they will also allow golfers to play and practice year-round.

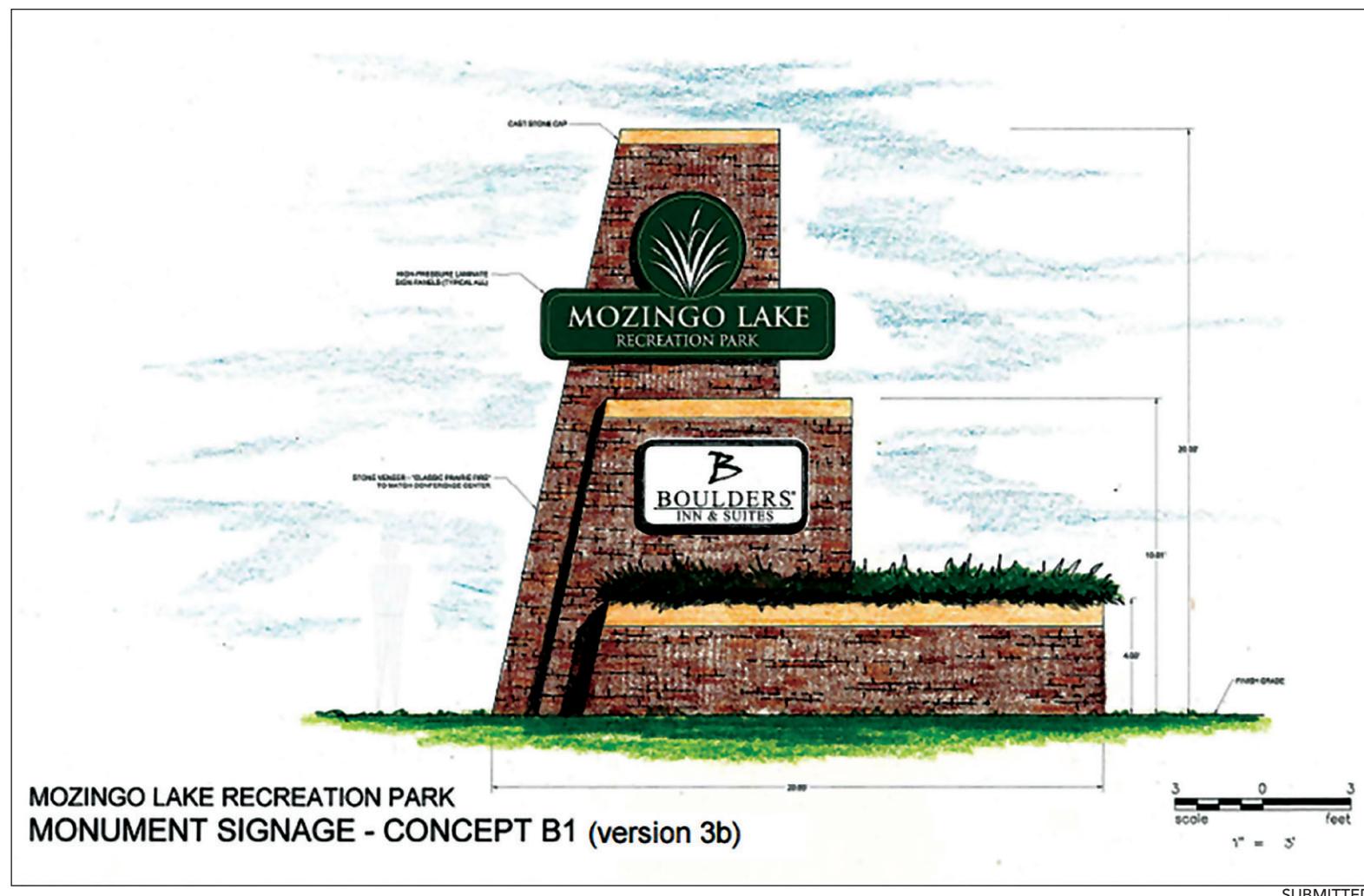
The simulators will include a feature to provide swing analysis and training for youth as well.

"We have a really good junior golf program," Heiland said. "Now we'll be able to have our local kids be able to practice and play golf all year long."

The men's and senior leagues can have winter tournaments and also tie into tournaments online, according to McDanel. The simulators will be available for party rental by the hour and are to be installed in a space right next to the restaurant.

For those new to golf, it will provide a low-pressure environment where people can order drinks and food and socialize while playing golf.

Also part of this latest purchase order were 450 black banquet chairs, 85 various sized event



**MOZINGO LAKE RECREATION PARK MONUMENT SIGNAGE - CONCEPT B1 (version 3b)**

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tables and 150 plastic white folding chairs from Advantage Church Chair costing \$22,012.40.

A web development agreement in the amount of \$12,500 was entered with Hue Labs for upgrades to the Mozingo Lake Recreation Park website.

Heiland said this will provide necessary security updates and functionality improvements needed due to higher website traffic and growth in online reservations.

The following week at the Oct. 16 council meeting, a change-order in the amount of \$169,126 was announced. According to

McDanel, this change-order included demolition of the silo, creation of a monument signage, an interior stone accent wall, as well as many electrical changes and flooring materials.

Heiland said the original 100-foot silo was built in 1978 and thus was on the property when purchased. Demolition took place last week, leaving only the bottom five feet to be used as the base for what will become the Silo Deck.

According to Heiland, many people feel the silo was a feature iconic to Mozingo but said it will now become a functional, usable

part of the site. With demolition costs around \$65,000, McDanel expects the deck to be used for bands, tournament announcements, bridal pictures and more.

For the first time in the park's history, there will be significant highway signage for where Mozingo is located, according to McDanel.

The 25-foot tall monument sign is to soon be constructed at the northwest corner of Highway 136 and Liberty Road, costing around \$60,000. It will feature Mozingo's name as well as Boulder's Inn and Suites', who McDanel said will be contributing

\$15,000 to the project.

McDanel said that remaining items to be purchased include small items like couches, chairs and other office equipment, restaurant supplies and audio and visual elements.

"Mozingo Lake Recreation Park has really become a regional tourist destination," McDanel said. "The more we do at Mozingo we hope continues to draw more people into the community to spend at our local businesses and continue to be that boost for the local economy."

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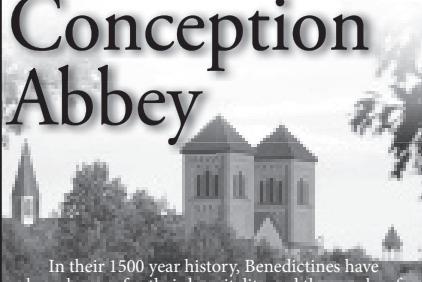
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## OUR VIEW:

## Cellebrite requires trust in law-enforcement

Recent news of the three law-enforcement offices having joint control over new technology used for confiscated cell phones have left us wondering if this may be a serious violation of privacy.

The Nodaway Sheriff's Department, Maryville Public Safety and the University Police Department will soon begin the use of a new system, Cellebrite. Cellebrite will allow law-enforcement to extract any text messages or media from cellphones and mobile devices in order to track criminal investigations faster and more accurately.

Though in these cases the cell

phones have been confiscated by the departments during a criminal investigation, iPhone users are usually safe from an intrusion of privacy. In case you did not know, if you are an iPhone user, Apple is known for not releasing any of your iMessages or phone records to law-enforcement, but it seems they have found a way around Apple's barrier. Cellebrite can bypass any data blocks or encryptions with just a press of a button.

It should be assumed this was soon to come, considering we are living in a technologically based world where a good handful of crimes are primarily cyber-

based. Law enforcement was sure to come up with ways to combat their obvious disadvantage.

On one hand, this could be very useful in situations where there are relatively no leads to sexual assault crimes or student deaths. Law enforcement can use Cellebrite to determine the last exchanges between individuals to lead them to a conclusion.

But could this turn into a situation in which law enforcement abuses their power? Could Cellebrite be used to violate your fourth amendment rights?

We think, yes, it's very possible. The idea of someone, law-

enforcement or not, rummaging through your private messages, thoughts and photos shouldn't sit well with anyone, but it's hard to determine if the positive outweighs the negative.

One can argue, if you don't have anything to hide, then you don't have anything to worry about. Yes, but what about simple confidentiality. Can it be guaranteed that information not pertaining to the criminal investigation won't be released to other individuals?

Honestly, it all comes down to trusting our law-enforcement on campus and within the Maryville

community to use the technology appropriately. Though, with the amount of heat law-enforcement have received throughout the country pertaining to violations of basic rights, it can be hard to repress feelings of mistrust or accusatory statements.

The new technology is sure to cause some debates of privacy, but we should strive to trust our local law-enforcement are here to help above all else. We need to trust our rights will be upheld and respected, and our private lives protected. If this is proven to be false, then together we will all fight for what is right.

## Halloween costumes should not be considered offensive

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Halloween is supposed to be a fun night of bad decisions, but choosing a costume shouldn't be one of them.

To sound like an old man, back in my day it didn't really matter who or what we dressed up as for one night. Now, at nearly every meeting, people are being told what they can and can't dress up as.

It's frustrating. Let me tell you, as someone who is part Native American, I don't care if someone dresses up as Pocahontas or any generic Native American costume. Because, guess what? It's the one day a year where dressing up or cosplaying is socially acceptable. And another secret; these people aren't trying to be offensive. They probably chose their costume because they admire something about that culture.

Many people are going for accuracy, especially if it's a character. Good examples include pretty much any Disney Princess, video game character or anything you might see at Comic Con. Serious-

ly, us nerds put a lot of effort into those costumes.

And please don't force this on kids. Cosmopolitan article "Maybe Don't Dress Up Your Kid as Moana this Halloween," targeted parents, essentially saying that if a child is white they should not dress up as a character who is a person of color. Let it sink in. Imagine if the positions were reversed. Doesn't settle well, does it? If a little blonde girl wants to dress up as Moana, let her. If an African American boy wants to go as a ninja, give him the plastic nunchucks. Stop trying to control everyone's actions.

Halloween costumes are a great way to open the doors of multiculturalism. Or is this not okay anymore? Are we supposed to stick to our own cultures and never expand our horizons? Are we not allowed to admire characters from other cultures and backgrounds and show that admiration through costumes? If not, someone should tell fans of anime to stop dressing up as their favorite characters.

I'm not saying people should do blackface or go out of their way to be racist. What I am saying is there is no reason to shy away from a costume because a small, vocal few will see it as something it's not.

## Differing opinions should be learned from not disrespected



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Opinion Columnist

Is it okay to have differing opinions? Everybody knows the answer to this question, or rather, they think they know. The answer should undoubtedly be yes, but very few times does this actually hold true.

For many situations, there always seems to be distinctly two sides, whether in the realm of politics, religion or a simple argument such as dogs versus cats. While there are middlemen, people will typically choose one over the other.

Those who choose the unpopular opinion often find harsh judgement from the majority of society. People who actively choose this part can be either vocal or withdrawn and too afraid to speak their opinion. Here lies the problem.

People should never have to be afraid to share what and why they do or don't believe in a cause. Everyone has a voice to speak what they believe. Whether or not you support it, you should be willing to hear why they think a certain way.

You can never expect to

change anything if you don't first try to understand where the other person is coming from. This is the truth we never seem to want to follow.

The same can be said for the person with a different point of view. If someone willingly takes the time to listen to your beliefs, then as a courtesy, please listen to what they have to say in return. Learning from other people is the only way we have survived. Who knows, you might even find yourself agreeing with the opposite side every now and then.

This goes on to bring up another issue concerning opinions, particularly with changing opinions. Sometimes it seems changing yourself or your views is taboo within itself.

Think about someone who seems stuck in their ways and won't listen to anybody when they are told someone doesn't agree with their views. Now, imagine a single event changing their way of thinking. Would they really have a place in the new community? No, not completely.

There will always be some doubt whether they really mean it or not. Some people will call them a fake or someone who is trying to garner attention.

People tend to be weary of those who make a complete 180 which is completely understand-

able. It's only a problem when they don't give the other person a chance to show they've changed.

So not only do we often dislike the thought of someone having completely different views, we also can't seem to handle the idea of people changing their opinion. Again while this is not true for every person, the vast majority usually do have these tendencies.

Part of the problem comes from how people address a conflict.

A person who starts a conversation aggressively will only breed more aggression in the other party. Someone who is trying to understand another person's perspective should approach calmly and with an open mind. When people see someone genuinely trying to understand, they open up so much more.

In an ideal world, this could be possible, but since we live in a world full of misunderstandings, we can only change our own feelings and reactions.

So next time you have an opinion, remember there are others who have them too, and often times they won't match yours.

While teaching them what you believe, don't forget to take the chance to listen and learn from them as well.

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Aries, embrace that others see you as a role model. There may be someone close to you who holds you in strong regard. Pay attention to the influence you have on others.

**TAURUS** – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, a difficult problem will ultimately prove very rewarding when you find the solution. Embrace this challenge and give it your best shot. You will be glad you did.

**GEMINI** – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, attempt to connect with people on a deeper level for the next several days. Your home is a place of comfort and your personal sanctuary, and you can make it that for others, too.

**CANCER** – Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, slow down a little and take time to smell the roses. A breather can help you appreciate all the things you have and give time to show that appreciation.

**LEO** – Jul 23/Aug 23

Your focus this week will be on acquisitions. You may be renovating a home or business or simply updating a wardrobe. Keep track of your spending.

**VIRGO** – Aug 24/Sept 22  
Virgo, change is stirring things up in a way that should be beneficial for you. See where this excitement takes you and brace yourself for whatever comes your way.

**LIBRA** – Sept 23/Oct 23  
Libra, make an effort to be more financially prudent in the coming weeks. Some patience and discipline now will pay big dividends down the road.

**SCORPIO** – Oct 24/Nov 22  
Someone you know is interested in picking up new skills, and you are just the teacher for the job, Scorpio. Embrace this chance to help others.

**SAGITTARIUS** – Nov 23/Dec 21  
This is an excellent time to express your feelings, Sagittarius. Others will be receptive to your thoughts, and a new relationship may be on the horizon.

**CAPRICORN** – Dec 22/Jan 20  
Capricorn, you may need to develop some thick skin as you begin taking on a new project. You're fully capable, so don't listen to any potential doubters.

**AQUARIUS** – Jan 21/Feb 18  
Your motivation must come from within this week, Aquarius. Others are not around to be your cheer squad. Your inner drive is there; it just may need a boost.

**PISCES** – Feb 19/Mar 20  
Pisces, keep to yourself this week if you feel unwanted conflict is coming. Enjoy some solitary time until the waters calm down.

**#ICYMI**

**A newscast in Mississippi was crashed by a kitten on live television. The crew was there reporting on a sighting of a big cat when a kitten emerged from the bushes and stole the show. The clip has since gone viral, and local biologist have confirmed that the kitten was an everyday house cat and not a mountain lion cub. The kitten is still living in the field where they made their television debut.**

**A rodeo broke out in New York City when the police had to wrangle a bull in a Brooklyn park. Law enforcement made multiple attempts to humanely capture the bull, one officer was knocked down by the bull during one of these attempts. The bull was later hit with a tranquilizer dart in between two parked cars. The NYPD is unsure as to how the bull ended up in the park, and have turned it over to animal control.**

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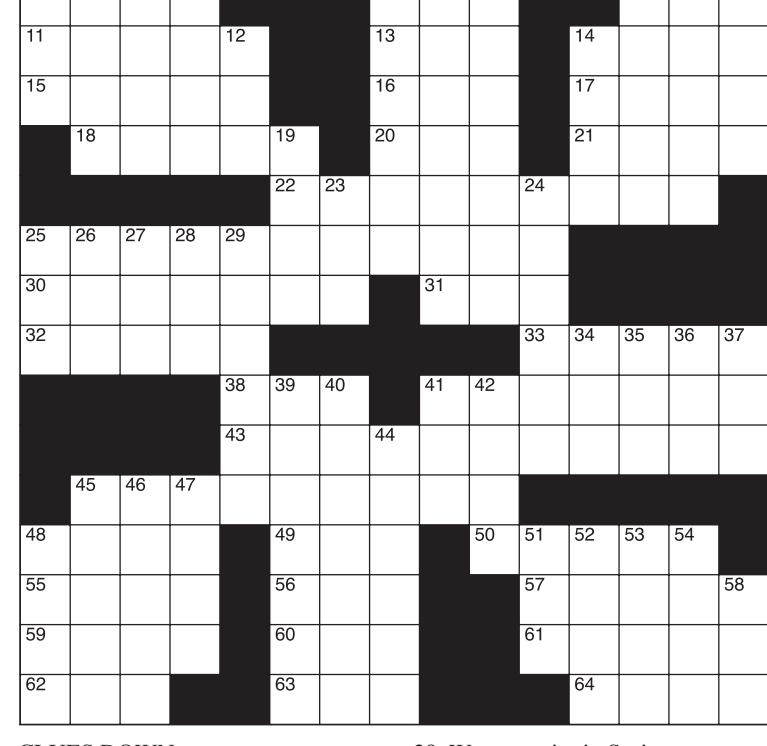
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## CLUES ACROSS

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- Time units (abbr.)
- Cool!
- NY football family
- A way to consume
- Competition
- Monetary units
- Plant in the daisy family
- Ottoman military title
- Small Polish village
- Relatively insignificant lie
- Argument
- Comforts
- Early
- Went on and on
- Type of IRA
- Short musical composition
- Images
- Major component of wood glue (abbr.)
- Observing expeditions
- Used as a lightweight foam
- Recall knowledge
- Afrikaans word for "language"
- Fried chicken guru Sanders' title (abbr.)
- Caucasian language
- A Spanish river
- Used to pierce holes
- Song of praise
- In bed
- Originally called
- Iron Age Brittonic tribe
- Young goat
- Not even
- Make from wool or yarn



## CLUES DOWN

- Current unit
- Bleats
- Soft creamy white cheese
- Opposite of west
- Young female cow
- Deep, narrow gorges
- Freestanding sculpture
- Finger millet
- Hurts
- Unable to hear
- Vast body of water
- Volcanic island in Fiji
- Not early
- Wet dirt
- Be characteristic of
- Before
- Tell on
- Resembles the ostrich
- Million barrels per day (abbr.)
- A way to talk
- American shoe company
- Chinese ethnic group
- Egg of a louse
- War-torn city in Syria
- Mode of transportation
- Metals and minerals are extracted from this
- Trent Reznor's band
- Midway between south and southeast
- Vesuvius is one
- Permitted
- A type of corrosion (abbr.)
- Tip of Aleutian Islands
- Shouted
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Punched in the side of the head
- Lout
- Used to make furniture and ships
- Spectrum disorder (abbr.)
- A way to talk
- American shoe company
- Chinese ethnic group
- Egg of a louse

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS**

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# THE *Vibe* ME TOO

## Viral campaign communicates message with only two words



Every age, position, friend or foe can be affected by sexual abuse or harassment.

MICHAEL CRIPE  
A&E Editor | @MikeCripe

Since Oct. 15, a viral campaign has been setting a new example for the power of speech, and it does it with only two words.

The "Me Too" campaign took off on social media sites everywhere, giving anyone who has ever been sexually abused, assaulted or harassed the opportunity to speak up and stand for others who can't.

One of the more overlooked issues when it comes to the repercussions of sexual abuse is just trying to talk about it. "Me Too" aims to be the encouragement victims need to find their voice.

"Me Too" also started with the idea in mind that there are millions of victims who are too scared to speak up, in hopes of creating a chain reaction showing how anyone could be affected by harassment, whether it be a friend, relative or next door neighbor.

A senior psychology major at Northwest, who asked to be referred to as Brittany, says taking ownership of her story is not only the best thing she can do for herself, but for others as well. She involved herself with "Me Too" in order to accomplish this goal.

"Sexual assault is something a large number of people face," Brittany said. "It is an epidemic that mentally, physically and emotionally harms those who have survived it. Opening up a dialogue about it can help survivors heal."

Brittany explained how and why she thinks coming out about

a lot of blame and it all comes from different directions, sometimes even friends and family."

Steffens thinks these attitudes come from a place of denial. She says it isn't so much a matter of ignorance, it is more centered around people just wanting to believe they live in a good world where everyone gets what they deserve.

Steffens knows she has a place as a role model at Northwest, and it is this exact reason she chose to speak up when she did.

"I can afford to be ridiculed in a way that a lot of younger people can't," Steffens said. "They don't have to tell their story to everyone, they don't have to give up their anonymity. But if they feel they can talk to somebody or trust and somebody who will listen, then they may be able to be in a better place because someone like me spoke up."

According to endsexualviolence.org, one in four women and one in six men will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime. Even more distressing, is only about 2 percent of all sexual assault accusations reported to police turn out to be false. These statistics are posted all of the time, so grasping the gravity of the situation can be hard when they are seen too often.

Elyzabeth Weary, a sophomore special education major, dislikes the dismissal she sees of statistics like these. She says the importance of "Me Too" isn't limited to giving some a place to speak up, it has a secondary focus of winning the small battles, in hopes of winning the war.

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We are not just a statistic. We are people who bear this awful burden where others shame, belittle and blame,

-Elyzabeth Weary

abuse or an abuser is one of the hardest things someone can do. It isn't as simple as just saying something as many like to think. Brittany knows talking about something this serious is one of the most difficult things a person can do.

"When you tell someone what happened to you, you are exposed," Brittany said. "And every survivor knows what I mean when I say you get 'the look.' People look at you with eyes full of pity as if you are a broken piece of glass that needs to be fixed."

The only thing more staggering than the massive number of people coming out through "Me Too," which, on Facebook alone has now reached more than 12 million users, is the kind of people coming out.

It's not easy to put oneself out there, much less in the revealing light illuminated by sexual abuse. So those who are well known in a community likely have even more pressure when considering whether or not to share their story.

Lauren Leach-Steffens, an associate professor in behavioral sciences, has been teaching at Northwest for 19 years. Steffens says she spoke up not only to raise awareness, but to help end the stigma surrounding victims of any type of sexual harassment.

"During one of my attacks I was 13, wearing unappealing clothes and in bad shape," Steffens said. "So when I hear someone say, 'well you shouldn't have worn revealing clothing,' all I can think is 'I was dressed like a fat kid, OK?' You just get tired of being blamed. There is

"This movement is important not only so people do not feel alone, but so we can stop small acts of harassment that lead people who think that what they are doing is okay," Weary said. "We are not just a statistic. We are people who bear this awful burden where others shame, belittle and blame."

Assault and harassment aren't the only things able to change a person. The constant blaming and distrust in victims of harassment and assault can negatively affect someone too.

Brooke T., a pharmaceutical worker in Maryville, says giving the victims of harassment and assault a face is an important puzzle piece in creating awareness. She says this will slow down the chances of something occurring while keeping victims from dealing with the aftermath of a sexual assault.

"Before the incident occurred, I had a very innocent and pure way of thinking," Brooke said. "I was only about 6-years-old the first time something of this nature happened to me. My incident changed me mentally, I was afraid to trust people and for a long time I associated those activities with pain and fear."

Every age, position, friend or foe can be affected by sexual abuse or harassment. So it's important to know what someone may be going through when dealing with the repercussions of unwanted advances.

Sometimes the signs of a friend or loved one being affected are hard to find, but sometimes it's just as easy as logging on to see them finally saying me too.

LAUREN LEACH-STEFFENS

"Know that you're not alone, know that you have a right to say no and know you have a right to report your harasser."



ELYZABETH WEARY

"If someone thinks it is strange that someone did not report their rape, then they have never experienced something that hard to understand."



SARAH JENNINGS

As a campaign to show the volume of women who have survived sexual harassment or assault, #MeToo has succeeded.



BROOKE T.  
"Once you put a face behind the issue, it makes it hard to ignore."



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Despite the fact that most companies have some sort of policy in place, one in three women have been sexually harassed in the workplace.



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"Me Too is important because it sheds light on how sexual assault can happen to anyone."

# Two seniors claim homecoming royalty

**MEKA WRIGHT**  
Chief Reporter | @\_yafavredhead\_

It was an exciting weekend for two Northwest seniors as their names were called as Northwest Homecoming Royalty.

Seniors Sam Spencer and Jessica Buckley were both surprised when they were named Homecoming King and Queen at the Variety Show Oct. 19. It is no surprise to others though, as it is clear that these two have left a significant impact on the individuals within their organizations.

Being nominated by their peers in spring 2017, the wait was finally over. Though the fame may only last one weekend during the school year, the feeling of accomplishment will last a lifetime for Spencer and Buckley.

"I was nominated by Sigma Society," Buckley said. "It's an honor to be nominated and then chosen, it shows that you're respected by your peers. It's means you're actually doing something on campus, you're not just here; you're leaving your mark."

While Buckley's heavy presence within Sigma Society helped along her nomination, Spencer

being elected president of Sigma Phi Epsilon prompted his nomination.

"I was nominated by SigEp (Sigma Phi Epsilon)," Spencer said. "The guys in the chapter voted on me to represent them."

During the spring semester, the 10 candidates who were up for homecoming royalty went through a lengthy application and interview process. They even sat with a committee composed of two faculty members and two community members before they were hand chosen by the homecoming committee, some of which were their immediate peers.

"I had to type up a sort of resume," Buckley said. "And tell them why I thought I deserved it and why I would be a good candidate."

As Spencer went through his interview process for candidacy, he felt slightly awkward about filling out the information about himself as Sigma Phi Epsilon president.

"It was kind of awkward, I had to fill out my own nomination, which was a little weird," Spencer said. "From there we interviewed and I interviewed in the Spring

then just waited for voting to come around."

The Homecoming King and Queen are two heavily involved individuals. Buckley's campus involvement ranges from Sigma Society president to Color Guard co-captain and even helping students with disabilities, while Spencer's Sigma Phi Epsilon presidency combined with Student Senate and student ambassadors have left the two pretty busy throughout the school year.

"I joined Sigma Society my freshman year. I wanted to do something where I was serving others and volunteering a lot because I'm really passionate about helping others," Buckley said. "Sophomore year I became the recruitment chair, and junior I was the president. I love that organization so much, with everything that it stands for and all the people I have met through it."

Buckley's involvement on campus doesn't stop there. Her involvements in band and CEC have influenced who she is and how she has made thus far.

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Seniors Sam Spencer and Jessica Buckley were both surprised when they were named Homecoming King and Queen at the Variety Show Oct. 19.

# Weekly meditation provides students a destresser

**JAMES CHRISTENSEN**  
A&E reporter | @jameschris1701

Take a deep breath. Focus on that breath, feel it growing in your center, then slowly exhale that breath and feel your worries leave your body.

The power of meditation has come to Northwest via Wellness Services in the form of two weekly sessions for students, staff and faculty to meditate for an hour during the busy work week.

Mike Mattock, one of the counselors at Wellness Services, leads the bi-weekly meditations and started meditating at a young age.

"I was introduced to the practice of meditation during my college years and have found that it helps increase my overall sense of well-being," said Mattock. "And I simply wanted to 'pay it forward.'"

According to the Mayo Clinic, the practice of meditation has been proven to enhance the overall health and wellbeing of those who practice it on a routine basis. Additional benefits include improved focus and attention and a sense of inner calmness. The twice-weekly meditation sessions are meant to introduce individuals to this ancient practice.

The art of meditation has been

practiced for thousands of years by individuals throughout the world and is not exclusively associated with any specific belief system or religious denomination.

Maddison Haynes, a junior secondary social science education major, was unaware of the weekly meditation, but said she feels that it is a great tool to deal with stress.

"I do think that meditation time is a good service for students," Haynes said. "And I know how stressful classes can be so I think this is a good service to allow students to unwind and teach them how to de-stress."

Meditation is one of the many ways to find a spiritual balance

and guidance. Meditation has been psychologically proven to be a great stress reliever and provides a person with guidance during a rough part of their life.

On average there have been five students, staff members and faculty attending regularly to the sessions.

Mattock said he believes that this service is important to all members of the Bearcat community.

"Everyone's life is very busy and that can create a good deal of ongoing stress," Mattock said. "And among other benefits, taking time to meditate can allow time to engage in a period of calm relax-

ation that can help to lower a person's overall stress level."

The sessions are held in the Alumni Meeting Room on the third floor of the Union. The sessions are held Tuesdays at noon and Thursdays at 1 p.m. every week unless noted otherwise.

Haynes, feels like this is a great service to all members of the Bearcat community.

"After hearing about this I feel like I should definitely try it out," Haynes said. "I personally get pretty stressed with everything going on in my life and would like a good way to handle it."

As the semester progresses, this will serve as a tool for Maryville.

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## Your Bearcat wants you to get better candy

Please give out the good candy to the kids and college students

Halloween is just around the corner, which means there is a multitude of children in cute costumes, wild parties and trick-or-treating. However, not all is well. This year, thousands of chubby cheeked children and broke, drunk college students will be denied good candy for their trick-or-treat goodie bags.

I get it, it seems cheaper to buy the mixed bag of generic candy to pass out to the hordes of zombies and devils, and those are just the college kids. However, according to Forbes, Americans spent a collective \$2.5 billion on candy in 2015. So, honestly, splurging the extra two or three dollars for name-brand candy really isn't bad in comparison. Depending on the store,

there are decently priced goodies to give out.

Honestly, it's not too difficult to buy a normal sized chocolate bar to give to the poor, sleep deprived journalism student dressed up as an obscure musical reference you don't get. It's not like I have any personal experience with this or anything. Halloween is the one night a year when it is easiest to please a college student. All it takes is decent candy, a beverage of the student's choosing and some movies, preferably Disney, Tim Burton or anything scary.

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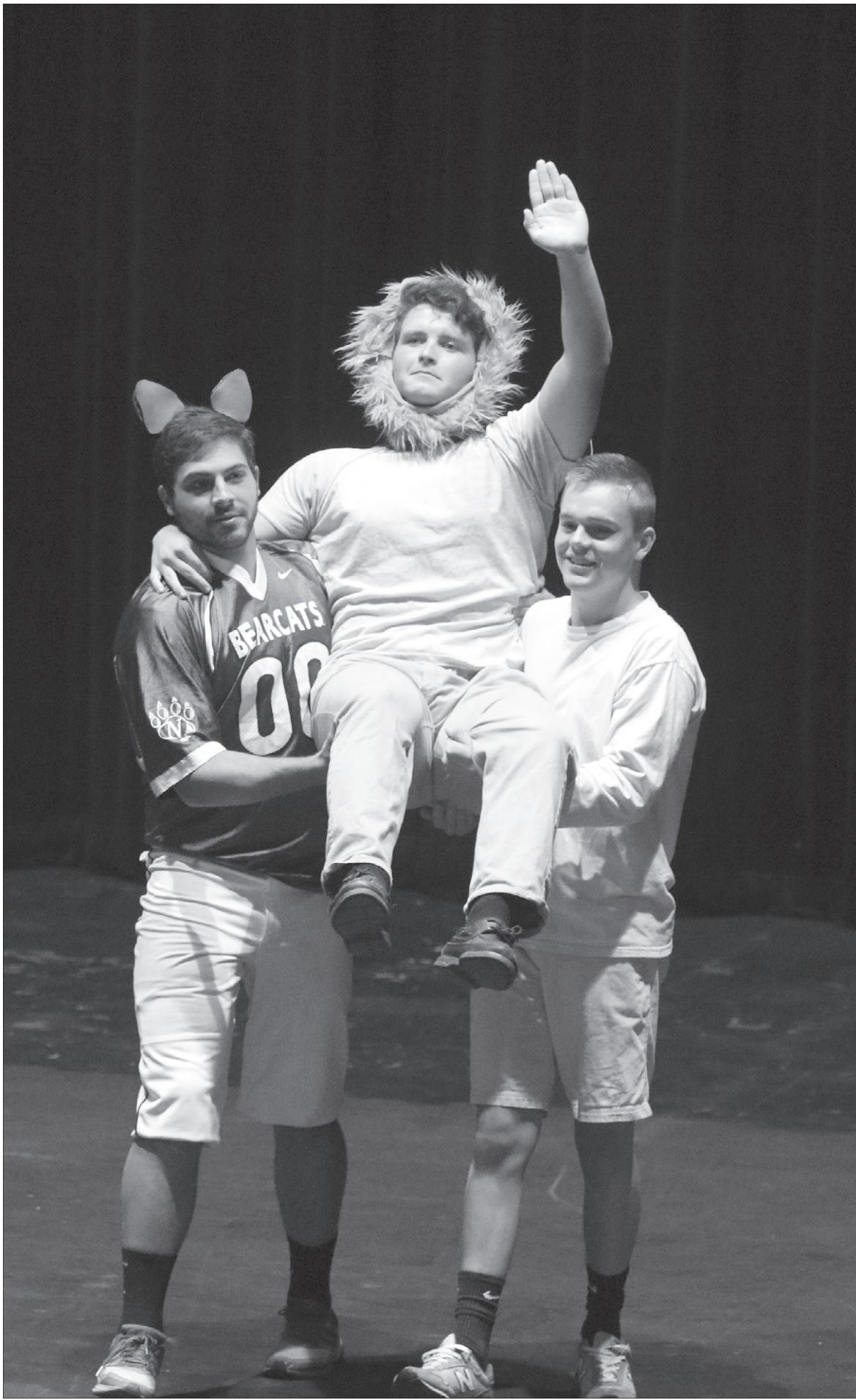


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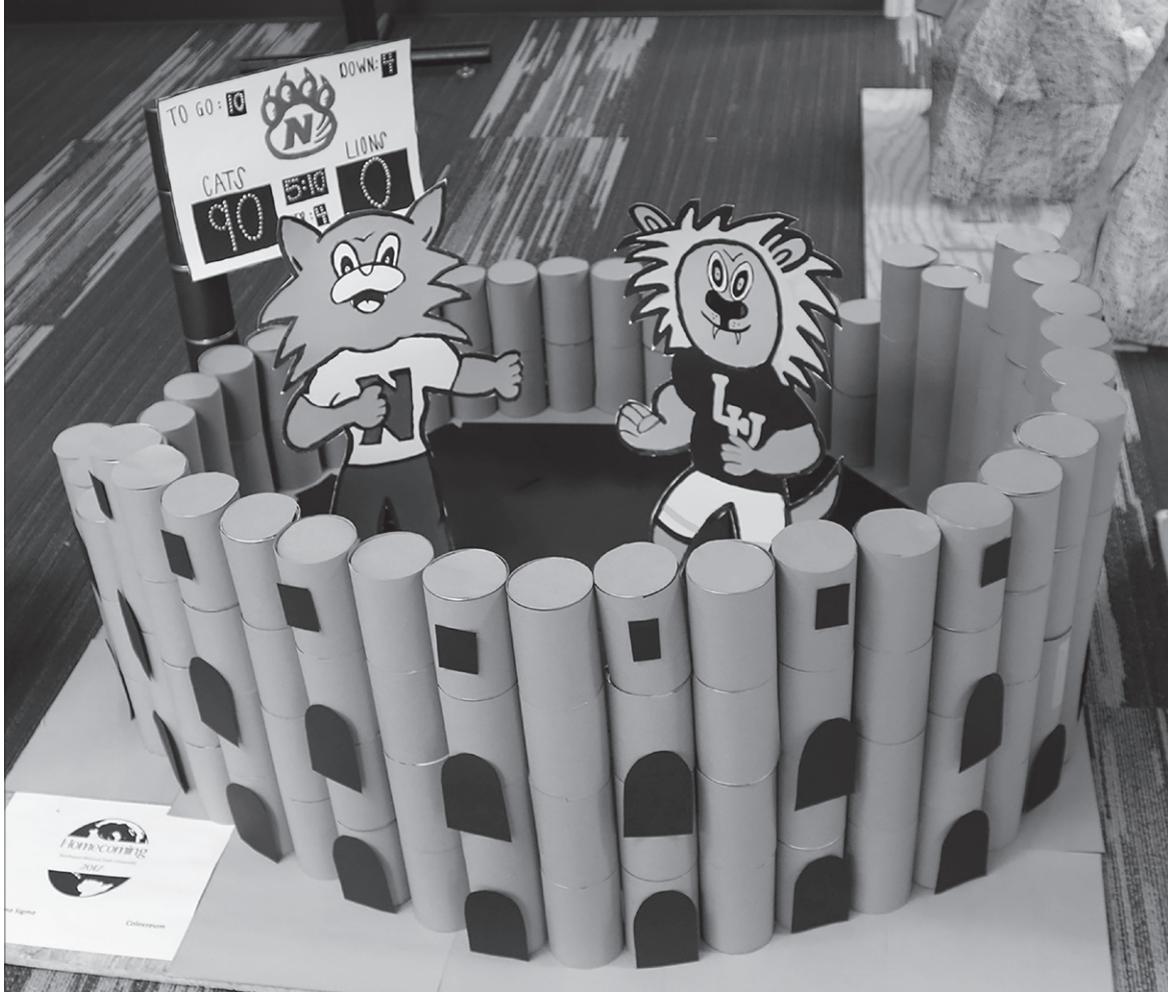
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Sigma Phi Epsilon and Sigma Sigma Sigma won people's choice for best skit during the Homecoming variety show.



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Alpha Gamma Rho and Phi Mu won highly competitive float during the Homecoming parade Oct. 21.



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Sigma Sigma Sigma won people's choice award at the canned art competition during Homecoming week.

# Homecoming winners celebrate another successful week

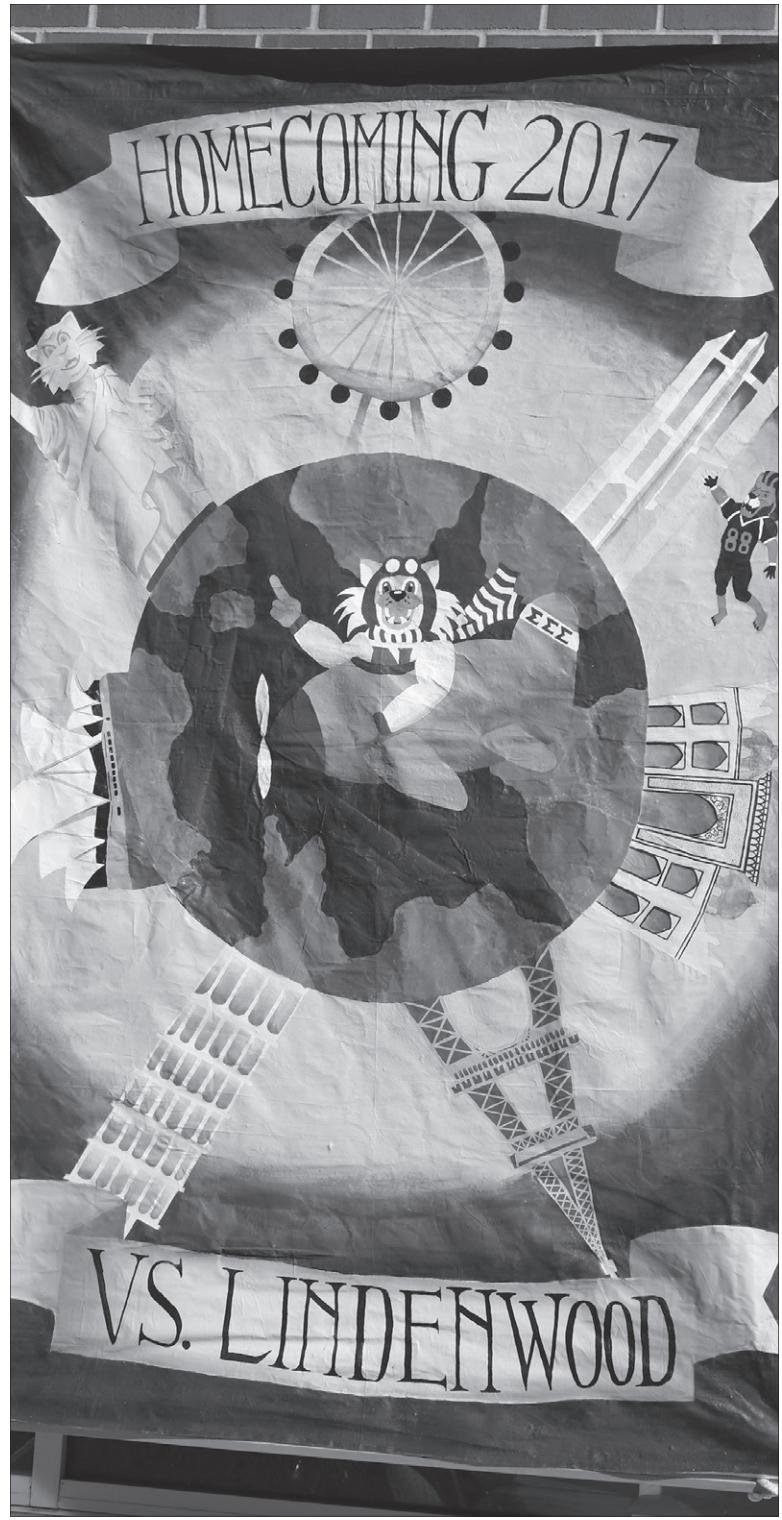
Homecoming went off without a hitch this year, with every category of competition giving it their all.

Sigma Phi Epsilon and Sigma Sigma Sigma took third overall for variety show skits, but still managed to claim the people's choice award for the same skit. For first place highly competitive float, Phi Mu and Alpha Gamma Rho took the prize with their Chinese dragon float.

Creativity always finds its home with the annual banner hanging. This year, Sigma Sigma Sigma managed to snag the overall victory in this category.

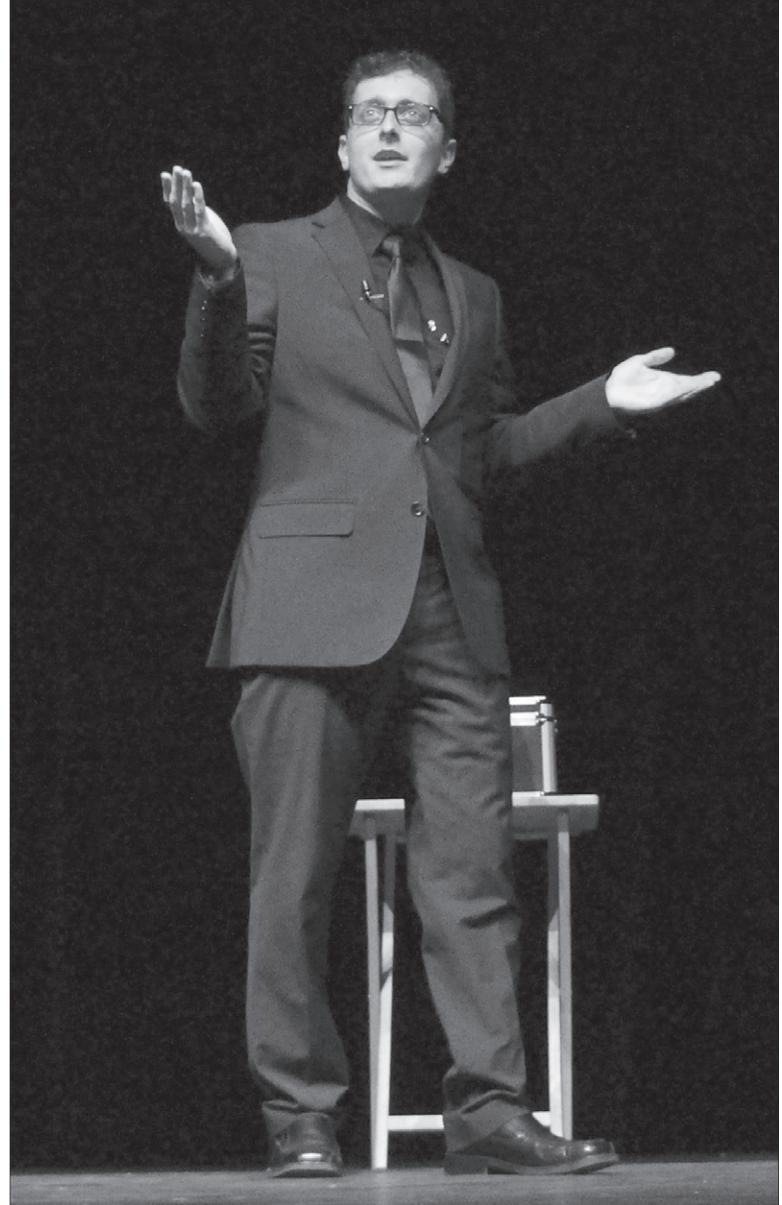
Magic is all about changing things up and subverting expectations and this is exactly what Adam Bochart managed to do, which led to his victory in best overall olio performance.

Those who stopped by the union during homecoming week were treated to a litany of impressively designed can art projects. Managing to claim yet another victory, Sigma Sigma Sigma won the people's choice best canned art competition.



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Sigma Sigma Sigma won the best banner during Homecoming week.



ALEXIS GEISERT | NW MISSOURIAN

Adam Bochart won best olio act during the Homecoming variety show.

# Hoza stresses final home test

TUCKER FRANKLIN  
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While the season for Northwest soccer is coming to an end, the future of the team has never looked brighter.

Northwest (6-9, 3-6 MIAA) has amassed a record of 8-22-4 in the past two years. With two games left in the season, the Bearcats can match that win total. Coach Tracy Hoza explained how her team has gotten more results in the wins column.

"Being more competitive in games and more competitive in practice," Hoza said. "We still have losses, but we have more wins than we do last year which is great. We are sitting in eighth in the MIAA which is where we want to be."

On a squad of 26 players, 18 are underclassmen. In all major statistical categories, an underclassman leads in each one.

This year's squad has put 40 more shots on goal along with 43 more shots than last year. The attack has been crisp with an average of 15.8 shots per game, 4.4 higher than the previous year.

Senior Danielle Wolfe said team chemistry has played a large role in the way their play has bettered.

"Each team I have been apart

of in my four years here has had a similar sense of culture," Wolfe said. "We have always been a close-knit team that supports one another. As our team has improved over the last few years, we have created more expectations."

The senior class has collected 20 wins in their four years. A big part of the victories this year have been in due part to the senior leadership.

Hoza said the upperclassmen have guided the youth and success of the club to where they are now.

"The seniors are helping them understand what it takes to play at the college environment," Hoza said. "They are very supportive which is great. The whole nucleus of the team is great to be around."

With great team chemistry, the Bearcats have been able to hang in most of the games this year excluding losses to Central Missouri and Missouri Western. Avoiding injuries has also been a key to getting wins.

"We've been relatively healthy which is great," Hoza said. "We still have a young crew that will flip those tight losses into wins into the future."

Five of Northwest's six wins this season have been decided by two goals or less. On the contrary, five of the nine losses have also been by two goals or less.

"We are a better soccer team



DYLAN COLDENSMITH | NW MISSOURIAN

Northwest head coach, Tracy Hoza, praises the ladies for their hard work during practice Oct. 24.

than most of the teams we play against," Hoza said. "We just didn't put away our chances. We're going to continue to get chances and continue to get wins."

With the baby steps the senior

class has taken to accumulate victories, Wolfe said the program has never had a better future.

"I think our class will leave the soccer program on a positive note," Wolfe said. "We have

played our best season this year and the program is definitely looking up. It has been such a great experience ending college soccer with the same girls I started freshman year with."

## Cross country limps through conference

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The Northwest cross country team finished the MIAA Championships with mixed results in large part due to injuries.

The Bearcats traveled to Warrensburg, Missouri Oct. 21 for the MIAA Championships. The women's team finished seventh out of 13 teams, one spot higher than their preseason MIAA rank. On the men's side a surprising ninth out of eleven teams was an unexpected outcome.

Head coach Scott Lorek said the results shocked him and something he did not foresee.

"Sometimes you have kind of an idea that this may not go well, but I didn't, honestly it surprised me," Lorek said. "I thought we were in a better place than we were."

The top runner for the Bearcat men junior Brayden Clews-Proctor finished 18th out of a field

of 94 runners clocking a time of 26:24.87. This is about a minute slower than the previous meet when he ran a 25:25.1.

The second runner for the men all season has been fellow junior Brandon Phipps. Phipps finished in 59th place bringing in a time of 28:00.73. Phipps normally runs right with Clews-Proctor, but in what would turn out to be his final meet of the season injuries played a role.

"He's been dealing with an injury all year," Lorek said. "We tried to get him through the race and that just didn't work, I do not expect him to run at regionals at all."

The injury that plagued Phipps's season is one of multiple injury issues the Bearcats have faced this season. The top runners on the women's team have battled through injuries all season. Despite the injury struggles the team produced at a high level.

Senior Sammy Laurenzo led the team at conference finishing

23rd out of 104 competitors. She crossed the finish line with a time of 23:50.19. Laurenzo is another Bearcat who dealt with injuries near the beginning of the season missing the two meets of the season.

Consistency helped to hold the team together through all the injuries. One of the most consistent runners for the women's team this season has been junior Sierra Coen. She finished 53rd with a time of 25:09.46.

This time landed her the six stop for the Bearcats. Coen has finished top six for the women in every race she has entered this season. Consistency is something Coen says she has focused on with the injuries the team has faced.

"Whenever I see other people getting hurt I tell myself I should do what I can to keep myself in the best health so I don't have to alter my training," Coen said.

The Bearcats will have a week off to train and get healthy before the NCAA Regional meet Nov. 4.

## NW BASKETBALL

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Northwest basketball will be reaping the benefits of cheap brand exposure, experience and the opportunity of a lifetime.

At the weekly Northwest Athletic Media Luncheon, Tjeerdsma said that Duke pays for almost the entire trip.

From a basketball perspective, McCollum said the opportunity to play in such game allows the athletes from last year's title run to live in the moment.

"It's nice we have returners because it's really a reward for winning the national title," McCollum said. "It's really unique that Duke and coach Mike Krzyzewski would do something like that for the Division II national champion."

McCollum also mentioned that if given the opportunity to do the same thing for a lower-level school, the 'reward' probably wouldn't happen.

"If it was NAIA or Division III champion, I wouldn't do it," McCollum chuckled. "We don't have quite the drastic difference in talent level."

The Bearcat's began their near, 17-hour bus trek to Durham, North Carolina, Oct. 25 and will practice for two days before the showdown Friday, Oct. 27.

The game has zero relevance on the two teams identity but gives Northwest can look at the matchup as a highly anticipated scrimmage as well as a chance to show off arguably the greatest Division II basketball athlete to ever play the game (senior Justin Pitts).

"It's great," Tjeerdsma said. "What we've done in the last few years have given us a lot of exposure."



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Northwest women's cross country placed seventh at the MIAA Championship Oct. 21 in Warrensburg.

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## NW WOMEN'S SOCCER

MIAA STANDINGS

Overall MIAA

Central Missouri	.....	16-0	9-0
Missouri Western	.....	14-2	8-1
Northeastern State	.....	13-2	7-2
Fort Hays State	.....	8-5-3	5-3-1
Washburn	.....	9-6-1	5-4
Central Oklahoma	.....	7-7-2	4-3-2
Missouri Southern	.....	3-9-3	3-5-1
NORTHWEST	.....	6-9	3-6
Emporia State	.....	6-8-2	2-6-1
Lindenwood	.....	5-10-12-6-1	
Nebraska Kearney	.....	4-9-3	1-7-1
Southwest Baptist	.....	3-11-21-7-1	

CLASS 3 DISTRICT 8

Chillicothe

Pembroke

Maryville

St. Pius

## NW FOOTBALL

MIAA STANDINGS

Overall MIAA

NORTHWEST	.....	8-0	8-0
Fort Hays State	.....	8-0	8-0
Central Missouri	.....	6-2	6-2
Washburn	.....	5-3	5-3
Central Oklahoma	.....	4-4	4-4
Emporia State	.....	4-4	4-4
Missouri Western	.....	4-4	4-4
Pittsburg St.	.....	4-4	4-4
Nebraska Kearney	.....	3-5	3-5
Lindenwood	.....	2-6	2-6
Missouri Southern	.....	0-8	0-8
Northeastern State	.....	0-8	0-8

## NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA STANDINGS

Overall MIAA

Nebraska Kearney	.....	24-2	11-1
Central Oklahoma	.....	23-3	10-2
Central Missouri	.....	20-5	10-2
Missouri Western	.....	16-9	10-2
NORTHWEST	.....	13-11	7-5
Washburn	.....	15-9	6-6
Lindenwood	.....	15-11	6-6
Emporia State	.....	13-12	5-7
Missouri Southern	.....	11-14	4-8
Fort Hays State	.....	10-16	2-10
Southwest Baptist	.....	2-24	1-11
Southwest Baptist	.....	3-21	0-12

## MHS FOOTBALL

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# Colorado native finds home in Maryville

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Senior Sarah Dannattell has been a key contributor for Northwest volleyball her whole college career.

As a freshman, Dannattell was the team's main setter and has kept that position since. She leads the Bearcats in assists with 3,755 in her career. The Widsor, Colorado native said that Northwest has been the perfect fit for what she wanted when looking for a college four years ago.

"I wanted something that was going to be far away from home, but not too far," Dannattell said. "I wanted a smaller campus, and I wanted a college that felt like family and Northwest had all of that and more for me."

The senior admits that she wasn't fully comfortable in Maryville at the beginning of her Bearcat career.

"I struggled when I first moved to Maryville because I was so far from home and didn't have the foundation of friends yet," Dannattell said. "Over the years this place has become my second home and it's going to be difficult to say goodbye."

Throughout her time at Northwest, the setter has leaned on coach Amy Woerth for guidance and help.

"I have been in her office tears streaming down my face with the stresses of being a college athlete and her being able to calm me down and remind me of all the great things there are to come," Dannattell said. "Coach Woerth has been there for me through a lot of tough times in my life, and I'm very thankful to have had her as a volleyball

coach but also as a life mentor."

This season, Dannattell has taken the role of leader for the younger setters on the Bearcats with freshman Maddy Ahrens and sophomore Jordyn Musselman. Woerth praised the guidance Dannattell has shown for both players.

"She's really taken both our freshmen and our sophomores underneath her wing and taught them the lessons that she learned at that age," Woerth said. "She's done a great job of helping them learn lessons and talk them through when maybe their confidence is wavering."

Woerth said that the senior has a natural ability to lead and work with people.

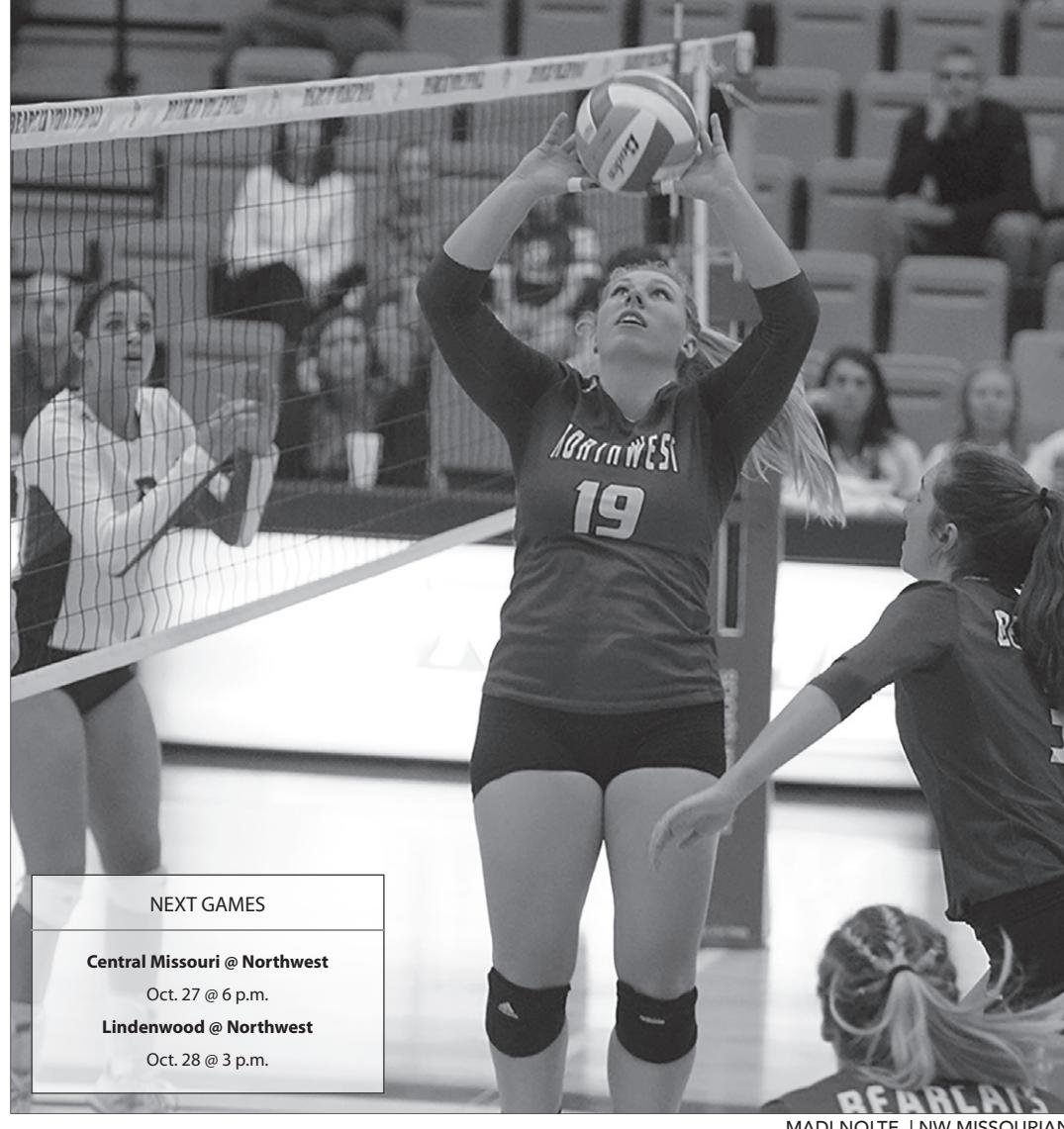
"Energy has always been something she has brought to our team," Woerth said. "When you are a leader you want to empower people and she has that piece to her because of her personality. She also wants to do what's best for the team."

Dannattell said that she takes pride and feels accomplishment in her role as a leader to younger players.

"Being in a leadership role is an honor and I have found a passion with being able to help younger setters in this program," Dannattell said. "One of the best things you can ask for when you are a leader is to have people who will listen to you and both them do a great job of that."

As her senior year nears its end, Dannattell strives to succeed every day at the sport that she loves and doesn't have much more time to play.

"I have found that through my last season of volleyball, I am motivated to bring it every day," Dannattell said.



MADI NOLTE | NW MISSOURIAN  
Senior Sarah Dannattell sets the ball during the Bearcat's 3-1 victory over Washburn University Oct. 20. The Bearcats picked up their sixth win of the season this past weekend.

## NEXT GAMES

Central Missouri @ Northwest

Oct. 27 @ 6 p.m.

Lindenwood @ Northwest

Oct. 28 @ 3 p.m.

## Northwest junior thrives in first season as coach



TAYLOR LEGRONE | NW MISSOURIAN

Northwest junior, Marissa Felt, underwent her first year at the helm of the Maryville volleyball program finishing the season 19-9-4.

### TRENT SPINNER

Chief Sports Reporter | @trentspinner

As the final curtains closed on the Spoofhounds volleyball season, first year coach Marissa Felt can not help but applaud the show.

Maryville's year is all said and done due to an upset in the district championship against Benton, but not before Felt and all the veteran players can call the season a success.

Coming off a disappointing first round loss in district play back in 2016, the Spoofhound vision for the future was hazy and uncertain. With its old coach retiring, The Spoofhounds were scratching their heads to find out what was next.

Now a year later, Maryville is vamping up to become the next Midland Empire Conference vol-

leyball powerhouse. Due in large part to a junior at Northwest giving new meaning to student coaching.

"Being a student and a coach did get tricky at times," Felt said. "I stayed on top of my schooling and when you have such a love for a sport, you love going to practice everyday; this was more than just a job for me."

Felt's passion for the sport was clear in everything that she did as the coach. From racing to practice everyday to doing her homework early so she could make all the away games.

"She has so much passion for us and the game," senior Abby Loe said. "She is only a few years out of high school, so she was able to really relate to us and still had a strong love for the sport like us players did."

The biggest factor stressed all season by players and coaches was

communication. Felt learned this first hand as she got into the job.

As she honed her communication skills with the players, she never stepped away from learning everything she could from anyone that could help.

"I learned that there is no such thing as a dumb question. I felt like I had a lot of questions for the school and my AD, but better to ask then do it wrong," Felt said. "As far as coaching, I learned that every player is different when it comes to how they react to certain things or even how they think about everything that is going on."

A players coach and a mentor, Felt belonged in the inner circle with the girls almost as if she was on the court with them.

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# ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

## BEARCATS

## SPOOFHOUNDS

### Shane Williams



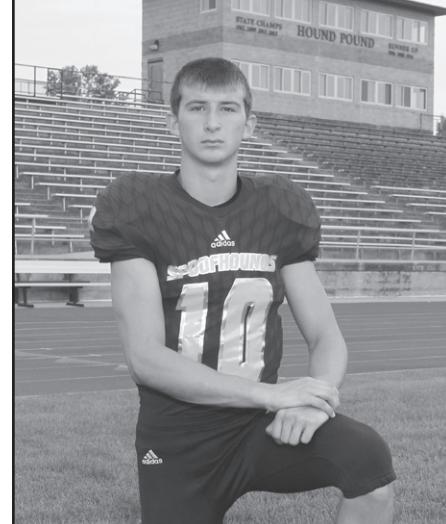
The senior wide receiver bounced back from an injury catching nine catches for 134 yards. He was the Don Black (Homecoming MVP) award winner.

### Izzy Romano



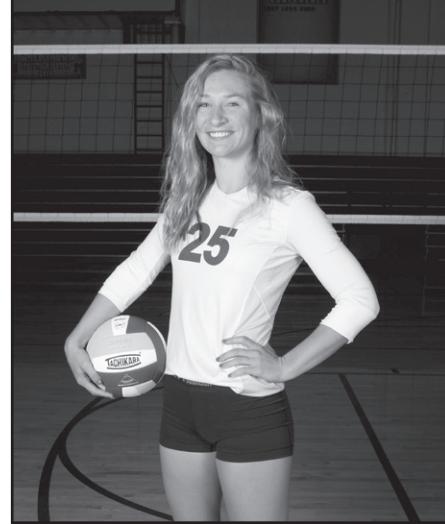
The sophomore midfielder scored his second goal of the season in Northwest's 2-1 loss to Washburn Oct. 22.

### Brady Atwell



The senior tight end found the endzone twice in Maryville's 69-26 victory over Lincoln College Prep.

### Abby Loe



The senior was named to the Class 3 District 16 All Conference team. She was also recognized on the All Midland Empire Conference team.

# Spoofhounds fall short in district finale



ALEXIS GEISERT | NW MISSOURIAN

Maryville senior goalkeeper Lucas Jasinski finished his final game in a Spoofhound uniform Saturday following a 3-2 loss to St. Pius. Maryville ended the season 15-5-1.

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When the calendar reaches mid-October and the regular season yields to postseason play, all statistics, records, standings and logic fall by the wayside.

Entire seasons are reduced to seconds.

Maryville soccer learned this to be true on the south side of St. Joseph Oct. 21.

The Spoofhounds (15-5-1) season arrived at its end after falling to St. Pius X (13-9-2) 3-2 in the Class 2 District 16 Championship game at Benton High School. The Hounds rode an 11-game win streak into the matchup, having outscored their opponents 67 to 3 in that stretch.

Entering the postseason, the Hounds were full of potential and promise. The No. 1 seeded Spoofhounds took care of Savannah by a score of 7-0 in the first round of the district tournament, but was unable to continue their winning ways against St. Pius, ultimately ending the careers of eight seniors for Maryville.

Following his first season as head coach, Dale Reuter was



proud of his team.

"You've got to give it to Maryville," Reuter said. "They're down 2-0, and they come back to tie it. I really had that feeling in my gut that 'they were gonna get this.'"

The Hounds entered halftime trailing the Warriors 1-0, marking the first time they had trailed in a game in over a month. The goal St. Pius scored in the first half was the first goal allowed by the Hounds' defense since Sept. 21, exactly a month prior.

"You love their fire, you love their tenacity. I love the fact that Maryville didn't quit," Reuter said. "They just kept going and going and going, even their last play of the game. They did everything they could."

St. Pius started the second half firing on all cylinders, scoring quickly to put Maryville down 2-0. The Hounds refused to go quietly and responded with two goals of their own.

Just when all the momentum seemed to be on Maryville's side, St. Pius scored to take a lead they would not surrender. The third and final echoing of "Goal Warriors" from the Benton press box would serve as the death rattle for the 2017 Spoofhounds.

As painful as their last game was, Maryville athletes such as senior goalkeeper Lucas Jasinski are not too dispirited about what they accomplished this season.

"It was a tough fought battle the whole way," Jasinski said. "We can't really hang our heads about this one. They (St. Pius) came out and played really well."

After the dust settled the Hounds finished with their highest win total since 2010. The ending transpired at the hands of a familiar foe for Coach Reuter: the Rueter-led girls Spoofhounds soccer team has lost to St. Pius in the district tournament four years in a row. Coach Todd Ashby heads both the boys and girls teams for the Warriors.

"Ashby's just got my number," Rueter said. "One of these days, I say it every year. I'm going to figure out how to beat him."

Rueter is hopeful the Spoofhounds can bounce back next season and finish the season on a happier note, but for the seniors, this season represented the last chance. Jasinski described the feeling as numbing.

"It's almost a feeling of shock," Jasinski said. "It's weird knowing you never get to step on a soccer field with them (his teammates), at

## Football to face St. Pius X for second time this year

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Maryville football faces a tough task against St. Pius X in the Class 3 District 8 semifinals

The Warriors travel to the Hound Pound Oct. 27. The two teams previously met in Kansas City Aug. 26.

"Week two was a long time ago," coach Matt Webb said. There's a lot of things on both teams that transpired then and now. We'll have to make sure

we're prepared."

The Spoofhounds finished on top in a 40-20 victory earlier this year. Maryville put up 409 yards against the Warriors, 394 coming on the ground.

Senior running back Jacob Reuter led Maryville on the ground racking up 173 yards on 20 carries. He found himself in the end-zone four times.

Behind him was junior running back Tyler Houchin. He ran for 148 yards on 15 carries scoring the other two touchdowns.

Heading into the week 11 matchup, Webb expects some change on

both teams in the matchup.

"You look at schemes and how game plans are formulated the first time through," Webb said. "You look at what adjustments will be made the second time."

Since the first matchup, the Spoofhounds have added a new threat to the offense scheme. Junior running back Eli Dowis watched the first matchup as a fan. He joined the team on the sideline one week later.

Dewis slowly worked his way back into the system. He is now second in rushing yards for the team, just ahead of Reuter.

Reuter has not appeared in a matchup since exiting with an injury against Benton Sept. 22. He took warm ups in the first round

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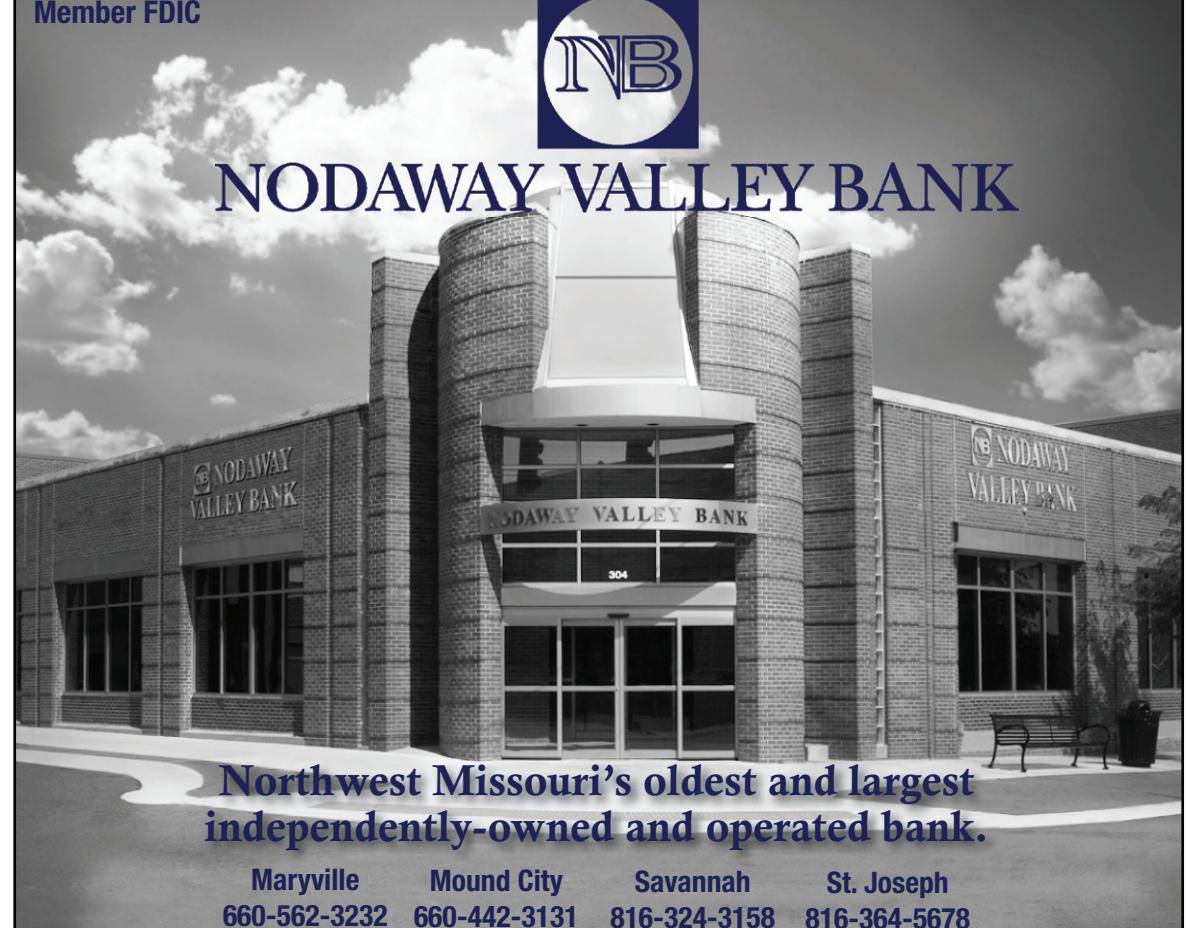
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# 'Cats ready for matchup with DI best



**NCAA Division II**  
**No. 1**

**Record**

35-1

**Points per game**

78.4

**Field goal percentage**

51.4%

**Free throw percentage**

68.6%

**Rebounds per game**

33.0

**Assists per game**

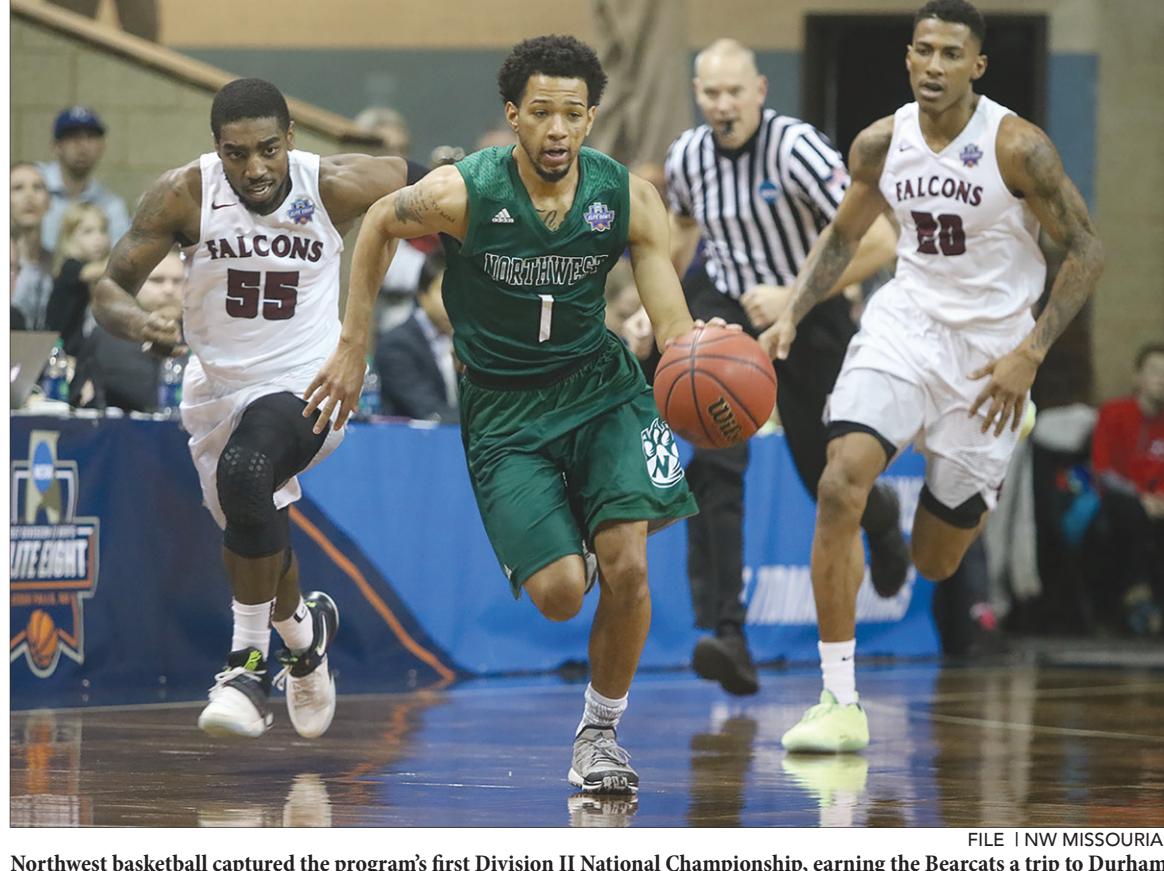
13.2

**Steals per game**

5.9

**Blocks per game**

1.9



FILE | NW MISSOURIAN

Northwest basketball captured the program's first Division II National Championship, earning the Bearcats a trip to Durham, North Carolina to face the No. 1 Duke Blue Devils.

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Let it sink in that the hometown Northwest basketball team has booked a date with the No. 1 ranked Division I powerhouse Duke Blue Devils.



For senior shooting guard Xavier Kurth, that hasn't happened yet.

"As a kid, you grow up and you watch teams like Duke on tv and to have this experience is so surreal because you actually get to play them now," Kurth said.

After hoisting the program's first national title, Northwest basketball received recognition, praise and a trophy. Not just that, the Bearcats received a bonus: a matchup with future hall-of-famer Mike Krzyzewski and the five-time national champion Blue Devils.

"I'm so excited for our players and for our coaches," Athletic Director Mel Tjeerdsma said. "To be able to go to one place that is the epitome of college basketball is a great reward."

Northwest coach Ben McCollum begins his ninth year at the helm of Bearcat basketball and knows the matchup he's getting into all too well.

"Trying to prepare against freakish athleticism is difficult but we will try to keep the game within reach, at least for a little while," McCollum said.

Since 1986, amongst the 27 Duke intercollegiate sports, the Blue Devils have captured 16 national championships.

It's difficult to determine what it means for the Northwest players and coaches to expect against Duke. After all, the Blue Devils are famous.

Along with academic and ath-

**NEXT GAME**

**Northwest @ Duke**

Oct. 27 @ 6 p.m.

letic trophies galore, Krzyzewski has been at the center of the Duke basketball dynasty since winning the program's first basketball title in 1991.

So why is Northwest entering arguably the loudest college basketball arena (Cameron Indoor) to play a team that is more physical, more athletic and all around better?

"It will be one more notch as far as getting people to recognize we have a lot of good sports here and basketball is one of them," Tjeerdsma said.

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**NCAA Division I**  
**No. 1**

**Record**

28-9

**Points per game**

80.8

**Field goal percentage**

47.5%

**Free throw percentage**

76.2%

**Rebounds per game**

36.2

**Assists per game**

13.1

**Steals per game**

6.1

**Blocks per game**

4.6

## Northwest sets focus on road trip to rival Pittsburg State

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With three weeks remaining before the NCAA Division II Playoffs, Northwest football doesn't want anything to do with distractions.

The undefeated Bearcats (8-0) were picked as the No. 1 seed within super region three. The University of Indianapolis and Fort Hays State reign in the No. 2 and 3 seeds with no losses.

Northwest has a chance to settle things with Fort Hays State (9-0) Nov. 4. Before looking ahead, the Bearcats must complete a road trip to Pittsburg State.

"Those Pitt State kids, they have a great program and a fantastic tradition," coach Rich Wright said. "Whatever you see on tape, you can multiply times 10. That's how hard they're going to play us this Saturday."

The Gorillas (4-4) are in the midst of a midseason refocus. After losing the games between weeks four and six, Pittsburg State

bounced back with double digit victories over Missouri Western and Emporia State.

Pittsburg State looks to continue the streak against the Bearcats.

"I think they had a little bit of a hangover from the previous season," Wright said. "It took them a little time to figure themselves out."

Northwest has won 11 of the last 14 matchups between the two teams. Since 2000, the two teams have met at Gorilla Stadium four times, two coming in the postseason.

The matchup served as the Fall Classic at Arrowhead Stadium between 2002 and 2013. The two last met in Pittsburg, Kansas Oct. 17, 2015. The Bearcats won 31-14.

"We have heard from, especially the older players, this is the game they always used to talk about," senior offensive lineman Ryan Huff said. "I got the opportunity to start there in 2015 and the place is unbelievable to play at."

The Gorillas became the fastest Division II program to reach 700 wins following a 26-10 victory over Missouri Western Oct. 14.

The team has also won five na-

tional championships. The program's legacy has left a mark within its fan base similar to Northwest's.

"We don't go into many venues where we are outnumbered from a fan perspective," Wright said. "To go into one of those venues and play in that type of an environment, it's exciting."

The Gorillas have the 20th best rushing offense in Division II, averaging 222 yards per game. Senior running back Michael Rose averages 103.7 yards per game.

"There's a physicality at the line of scrimmage that they are playing with that they weren't before," Wright said. "They are running more down hill; more traditional stuff that we used to see out of Pittsburg State."

Pittsburg State has given up an average 379.8 yards per game. Northwest averages 426.75.



DYLAN COLDENSMITH | NW MISSOURIAN

Northwest currently poses the fifth best passing in the conference averaging 265.3 yards per game. Senior quarterback Zach Martin has remained accurate only tossing one interception all season.

"They are pretty basic in the front," Huff said. "They run 4-2 and they blitz linebackers. Their front four is fast, and physical. They play really, really hard."

A win against the Gorillas puts the Bearcats within one game of tying Grand Valley State for the longest win streak in Division II History.

Northwest can set the record by winning out the regular season.

"We still have different things we need to accomplish," Wright said.

"We have to treat these last three games as playoff games before we actually get to the playoffs. They're going to be frankly three great tests."

## CountrySide Bistro owners continue to serve football

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Since 2003, Eddie and Betty Heitman have donated their weekends to putting the biggest smiles on the faces and stomachs of the Northwest football team.

Both at the age of 68, Eddie grew up in the Maryville area. C Residing nine miles southwest of his stomping ground, the couple continues to provide a delicacy to Bearcat football athletes and coaches every time the team hits the road.

"We talk about family all the time and they genuinely care about us," Northwest coach Rich Wright said. "It's a personal touch and they're just great people."

The story began 14 years ago when the Heitman's received a call from a Northwest Missouri alumna, planning a tailgate party.

Instead, the current coach, Mel Tjeerdsma, suggested that the Countryside Bistro owners take their home-style cooking talents to the Bearcat football team.

"They are the most polite kids you could ever ask for," Eddie Heitman said. "They are just very good boys."

The process of putting on a football-sized spread for 90-95 athletes and coaches isn't an easy one.

Eddie Heitman goes into work around 7 a.m. to begin preparing not one, but two feasts. The Countryside Bistro provides a Friday night buffet and throughout the morning and afternoon, Eddie and his staff are putting in the house.

Once the restaurant closes at 9 p.m., the real fun begins. Eddie stays up all night readying his bountiful postgame dishes for all the Northwest football players and coaches.

The meals Eddie makes aren't

just everyday restaurant cuisines. Some of the items on the menu include smothered chicken, pulled pork, sloppy joes, 3-4 salad options, mashed potatoes and a bottle of water.

Northwest football is a combined 84-19 since 2003 in all non-home football games.

When the No. 1 Bearcats (8-0) hit the road to face Pittsburg State (4-4), Eddie's main course for this week's matchup will be ham balls.

Senior offensive lineman Ryan Huff knows that every road game, the team is in for a treat.

"Oh it's great," Huff said. "Having that home cooked meal

and having someone asking how you're doing no matter how good or bad you played with a smile is amazing."

After staying up all night preparing the food, the Heitman's are accompanied by a close friend and longtime Bearcat fan, Rich Mendenhall. Mendenhall drives the crew and all the food to the destination Northwest football has that day. Mendenhall hasn't missed a Bearcat football game since 1999.

What started as a 50 capacity restaurant in Graham, Missouri, has grown into community favorite bistro, providing a smile and a sprinkle of family each and every visit.